

## **Fishing and Harvest Closures (Spawning Closures)**

Michigan, like many states, prohibits fishing for various species at certain times of the year. These seasonal closures generally coincide with spawning periods and are often referred to as spawning closures. Many anglers and managers tend to think of these regulations as providing specific protection to spawning fish, and the timing and length of closed seasons are generally related to the timing and duration of spawning seasons. These closures are indicated by lake or stream in the county listings. Lakes and streams are closed to all fishing during the period listed. Outside of the closure period, the respective Type regulations apply.